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Dated 10th April, 1919.

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## Will of

MISS C. M. S. MASON.

Testatrix died 16th January, 1923.

Probate dated 5th June, 1923.

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BRADFORD.

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I, CHARLOTTE MARIA SHAW MASON of Scale How Ambleside in the County of Westmorland Spinster hereby revoke all former Wills and Codicils made by me and declare this to be my last Will.

1. I APPOINT The Honorable Henrietta Franklin The Reverend Frank Lewis and William Bonnalie Gordon (hereinafter called "my Executors") to be the Executors of this my Will.

2. I GIVE to Elsie Kitching my clothing and other articles of personal use and ornament in the hope that she will appropriate or distribute the same in such way as she may think would be in accordance with my wishes but without imposing upon her any trust or obligation.

3. I BEQUEATH the following pecuniary legacies free of all duties :—

- (a) TO my friend Fanny Catherine Alleyn Williams the sum of Thirty pounds to purchase a ring in memory of me.
- (b) TO the said Elsie Kitching the sum of Twenty pounds for the like purpose.
- (c) TO each of the mistresses (other than the said Elsie Kitching) who shall be on the staff of "The House of Education" "The Practising School" or "The Parents Union School" hereinafter referred to at the time of my death the sum of Five pounds for the like purpose.
- (d) TO the Reverend Frank Lewis the sum of Five pounds for the like purpose.
- (e) TO my servant Thomas Barrow if he shall be in my employ at my death a five per cent. War Loan Bond for one hundred pounds now lodged with my bankers.
- (f) TO each of my other servants in my employ at my death the sum of Three pounds.
- (g) TO Elizabeth Groveham of Netherside Woodbridge or if she shall predecease me to her eldest daughter Edith Müller the sum of Twenty-five pounds.

4. I DEVISE to Henry Boyle of Ambleside the Honorable Henrietta Franklin Elsie Kitching The Reverend Frank Lewis Ellen Alice Parish The Reverend Canon Hardwick Rawnsley of Grasmere Gordon Wordsworth of Ambleside and Fanny Catherine Alleyne Williams (hereinafter called "my Trustees" which expression shall include the survivors or survivor of them and their her or his executors administrators or assigns) in fee simple my freehold messuage or tenement with the outbuildings and lands belonging to or held with the same situate at Ambleside in the County of Westmorland and commonly known as "Scale How" with the appurtenances subject to and charged with the payment of all principal sums and interest secured thereon by way of mortgage Upon Trust to hold the same upon the trusts hereinafter declared.

5. I BEQUEATH to my Trustees absolutely the goodwill of the business of educational training of women hitherto carried on by me under the names of "The House of Education" and "The Practising School" respectively at Scale How aforesaid Together with all furniture books pictures pianos plate and effects in or upon the premises and used in connection with the said business and also the goodwill and assets of the business conducted by me on the same premises under the name of "The Parents' Union School" to hold the same upon the trusts hereinafter declared.

X 6. I DECLARE that my Trustees shall hold my house grounds and premises Scale How Upon Trust to permit the Council hereinafter mentioned to use the same for the purpose of carrying on the said business of "The House of Education" "The Practising School" and that of "The Parents' Union School" as carried on by me in accordance with the views expressed in my "Short Synopsis" and more fully set forth in the five volumes of "The Home Education" series of five educational handbooks written by me and published by Messrs. Kegan Paul & Company and in several pamphlets written by me and now in the hands of the Parents National Educational Union and for that purpose to use the property and assets hitherto used in connection therewith and hereby bequeathed to my Trustees as aforesaid.

7. The said business of "The House of Education" and that of "The Parents' Union School" shall be managed by a Council which shall consist of not



more than twenty members The first members shall be the Trustees of this my Will hereinbefore named and Lady Campbell of Surrey Emmeline Steinthal of Ikley Doctor Helen Webb H W Household of Gloucester Willingham Rawnsley and Mrs. Clement Parsons If any one or more of the said first members shall die in my lifetime or shall refuse to undertake the office I direct and empower my Trustees to appoint such person or persons in the place of the member or members so dying or refusing to undertake the office as they shall in their uncontrolled discretion think fit The remaining members shall be co-opted.

8. The said Council shall have power to make rules and regulations for the conduct of their business.

9. The education work of "The House of Education" "The Practising School" and "The Parents' Union School" shall be carried on by the said Council in accordance with the systems adopted by me under the supervision of a principal as regards "The House of Education" of a head mistress as regards "The Practising School" and of a Director as regards "The Parents' Union School" who shall respectively be appointed by and shall act under the directions of the said Council.

10. The first principal of "The House of Education" shall be the said Ellen Alice Parish who shall receive by way of remuneration a salary of Two hundred and fifty pounds per annum free board and residence at the Educational premises of "The House of Education" and she shall retain office for life or until she resigns if the said business of "The House of Education" shall be so long carried on and shall appoint the staff of assistance so long as she holds office as principal The first Director of "The Parents' Union School" shall be the said Elsie Kitching who shall receive by way of remuneration a salary of not less than Two hundred pounds per annum with free board and residence at the Educational premises aforesaid and she shall retain office for life or until she resigns if the said business of "The Parents' Union School" shall so long continue.

11. All profits whether derived from the business of "The House of Education" or from that of "The Practising School" or of "The Parents' Union School" shall at the request of my Trustees be applied by the said Council in reduction of the principal moneys (if any) owing on the before mentioned charge on or mortgage

of my Scale How property or in default of such request the same shall be applied by the said Council for the benefit of "The House of Education" "The Practising School" and "The Parents' Union School" or either of them as they shall in their discretion think fit or at their discretion may be applied in whole or in part in propagation or promotion amongst elementary and continuation schools of the principles of education set forth in my aforesaid books and pamphlets or in payment of fees of additional examiners with power nevertheless at their discretion to apply part of the said profits not exceeding Two hundred pounds in or towards the expense of publishing the Seventh and Eighth volumes of "The Saviour of the World" in the event of Canon Rawnsley or other fit person undertaking to finish that work during my lifetime.

12. I BEQUEATH to my Trustees absolutely the whole of my copyright or other interest in the Sixteen volumes of my works published by Messrs. Kegan Paul & Company together with all copies of such works in their possession at my death and also any copyright or other interest to which I may at my decease be entitled in any other works of mine UPON TRUST that my Trustees shall in their absolute discretion either continue the publication and sale of such works or sell the copyrights thereof or such other interest as I may be entitled to therein and shall apply the royalties net profits or other income arising from the sale of copies of such works or the proceeds of the sale of the copyrights of or other interests in such works as the case may be in any of the ways in which the profits derived from "The House of Education" "The Practising School" and "The Parents' Union School" are hereinbefore authorised or directed to be applied.

13. I DEVISE AND BEQUEATH the residue (if any) of my real and personal estate to my Executors as to realty in fee simple and as to personalty absolutely Upon Trust to sell and to pay the proceeds (after payment thereof of my debts funeral and testamentary expenses legacies and duties hereinbefore directed to be paid) to my Trustees Upon Trust to apply the same or the income thereof for the benefit of "The House of Education" and "The Parents' Union School" and for the before mentioned propaganda and other works in such proportions and manner as they shall in their absolute discretion think fit.

14. I AUTHORISE my Trustees to settle or concur in settling any scheme for the management of "The House of Education" "The Practising

School" and "The Parents' Union School" or the property and funds hereby devised and bequeathed for the benefit of the same respectively.

15. I AUTHORISE my Trustees if they deem it advisable at the expense of my trust estate to form or concur in forming a Company not for the purpose of profit or gain under Section 20 of the Companies (Consolidation) Act, 1908 to carry on "The House of Education" "The Practising School" and "The Parents' Union School" and to transfer the property hereby devised and bequeathed to such Company when formed.

16. I DIRECT that my Trustees shall before transferring any property or assets to any company body or person take such steps as they shall consider necessary to secure the indemnity of my estate against any sum which may remain due on any mortgage created by me on the said premises hereby devised.

17. I AUTHORISE my Trustees to do or concur in doing all such acts and things as they may in their absolute discretion think desirable for the purpose of continuing "The House of Education" "The Practising School" and "The Parents' Union School" on the same lines as they hitherto have been carried on by me and with a view to the more beneficial employment of the property and assets hereby devised and bequeathed.

18. I DIRECT my Trustees within one year from my death to apply to the Court under Section 8 of the Mortmain and Charitable Uses Act 1891 for leave to retain unsold the said premises hereby devised.

19. IF for any reason it shall appear to my Trustees that it is impossible or impracticable to carry on the business of "The House of Education" "The Practising School" and "The Parents' Union School" substantially on the lines hereinbefore directed by me or to form a company for the purpose of taking over and carrying on the said business as provided for by Clause 16 hereof I AUTHORISE my Trustees after providing for the payment of all debts due from and for the discharge of all liabilities of my estate to transfer the businesses assets and goodwills of "The House of Education" "The Practising School" and "The Parents' Union School" so that the same shall be used for such Educational Work as my Trustees and the said Council shall jointly select.



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20. ANY Trustee of my will who may be a solicitor shall notwithstanding his being such Trustee be entitled to make and be paid out of my estate the same professional charges and receive the same remuneration for business done by him as if he not being a Trustee or Executor of my Will were employed by the Trustees or Executors thereof as their solicitor.

IN WITNESS whereof I have hereunto set my hand to this my Will this 10th day of April, One Thousand nine hundred and nineteen.

SIGNED by the said CHARLOTTE MARIA SHAW  
MASON the Testatrix as and for her last  
Will in the presence of us both present at  
the same time who in her presence and in  
the presence of each other have hereunto  
subscribed our names as witnesses.

CHARLOTTE MARIA SHAW MASON.

MURIEL JULIA BEATRICE MILLAR,

Fairfield, Ambleside,

Mistress of the Practising School.

WILLIAM EDLUND LAWRENCE ALLEN,

Fairfield House, Ambleside,

Medical Practitioner.

Testatrix died 16th January, 1923.

Will proved at the Principal Probate Registry 5th day of June, 1923, by  
The Honourable HENRIETTA FRANKLIN (wife of ERNEST LOUIS FRANKLIN),  
The Reverend FRANCIS LEWIS (in the Will called FRANK LEWIS), clerk, and  
WILLIAM BONNALIE GORDON, the Executors.